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SUBJECT: THAILAND: EMBASSY/STATE DEPARTMENT HUMAN RIGHTS  
VETTING FOR: LCDR. SAKDA WATTANATHAM

REF: A. JUSMAG/THAI MEMO OF 14 MARCH 2005

[1](#)B. STATE 021314 - GUIDANCE

[1](#)C. 03 STATE 34981 - GUIDANCE

[1](#)1. (U) This is an action request for human rights verification required by the Leahy Amendment; see para. 2.

[1](#)2. (U) JUSMAGTHAI has requested that the Embassy/State Department complete human rights vetting for LCdr. Sakda WATTANATHAM, Naval Ordnance Department who has been selected to attend the following courses. Embassy Bangkok possesses no credible information of gross violations of human rights by this individual. Embassy Bangkok Political Counselor, Robert J. Clarke, is the verifying officer for the Embassy/Department of State.

[1](#)1. WCN 1342A - SWO DH OPS SPEC Intl at Newport, RI from April 22 - July 29, 2005.

[1](#)2. WCN 1342B - SWO Adv. Ship Handling at Newport, RI from July 31 - August 3, 2005.

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